## IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of

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Amendment After

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Final Rejection

For: PRODUCTION MANAGEMENT SYSTEM AND SYSTEM FOR CHECKING OPERATING CONDITIONS OF PRODUCT PROCESSING APPARATUSES

## REQUEST FOR APPROVAL OF REPLACEMENT DRAWING SHEET(S)

Assistant Commissioner of Patents Washington, DC 20231

Sir:

In response to the March 15, 2004 Office Action, Applicants submit herewith one (1) sheet of drawings with proposed drawing corrections to Figure 9. Specifically, Applicants wish to amend Figure 9 to include a designation "PRIOR ART." Approval of the proposed drawing correction is respectfully requested.

Respectfully submitted,

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